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National Tiger Conservation Authority

F. No. 5-3/2020 -NTCA

New Delhi, the August 20, 2020

To,

The Chief Wildlife Warden(s),
Government of Uttarakhand, Odisha & Mizoram,

Sub: Collaboration and support of National Tiger Conservation Authority, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change in implementation of GEF-6 funded Green-Ag Project in landscape having Tiger Reserves-reg.

Ref: Letter No GCP/IND/183/GFF dated 11.08.2020 received from Tomio Shichiri, FAO, representative in India

Sir,

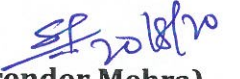
Reference is invited to the subject & correspondence cited above. A letter from Tomio Shichiri, FAO Representative in India with regard to implementation of GEF 6 funded Green-Ag Project in landscape having Tiger Reserves is attached for your kind information and necessary action.

In this context, it is further requested that during planning & implementation of aforesaid project it must be ensured that there is no deviation from prescriptions of Tiger Conservation Plan (TCP), Guidelines of this Authority and tenets of tiger conservation in general.

Shri Rajendra Garawad, AIG, NTCA Hqrs. shall be Nodal Officer to coordinate with States.

Encl: As above.


Yours faithfully,


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2. FAO, representative in India (FAO-IN@fao.org.).
3. PS to ADG (PT) & MS (NTCA), New Delhi.


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Re: GCP/IND/183/GFF

11 August 2020

Dear *Dr. S P Yadav,*

**Collaboration and support of National Tiger Conservation Authority,
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change in implementation of
GEF-6 funded Green-Ag Project in landscapes having tiger reserves**

We refer to our meeting with NTCA officials on 7th August 2020.

We are thankful to you for granting time to our team to explain the broad contours of GEF-6 funded Green-Ag project which primarily aims to catalyze transformative change of India's agricultural sector to support achievement of national and global environmental benefits and conservation of critical biodiversity and forest landscapes.

As explained in the meeting, the project is being implemented in five landscapes across the country. Of these, three landscapes have four tiger reserves, namely: Similipal Tiger Reserve in Odisha; Corbett and Rajaji Tiger Reserves in Uttarakhand; and Dampa Tiger Reserve in Mizoram. We have mapped the following opportunities to work with respective park authorities for a win-win situation between agriculture and forestry and wildlife sectors:

- Identify and conserve areas having population of Wild Crop relatives (CWR) within the Tiger Reserves;
- Formulate strategies and plans and pilot them to address human-wildlife conflict in the fringe and buffer areas;
- Design a targeted approach for threat reduction to biodiversity in the Tiger Reserves;
- Develop community-based natural resource management plans which align with the Tiger Reserve management plans, in close consultation with Forest Officers and Park Directors;
- Replicate the approach and best practices in the wider landscape and other Tiger Reserves

In each of the project states, the respective State Agriculture Departments/Watershed Departments are the implementing agencies. They are actively engaging with the Park management in the planning and execution of the project through respective Chief Wildlife Wardens of these states. Also, the State Forest Departments are on the committees at state-level and the Park Managers are on the Technical Support Group at the district-level.

We also seek active participation of NTCA's officials in all official workshops at national and state level for your valuable inputs to design a robust and holistic approach for successful implementation to achieve the desired outcomes.


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In the light of the above, we request you to issue necessary directions to the four Park Managements to actively participate in the project planning and implementation.

With kind regards,

Stay well and safe.

Yours sincerely,



Tomio Shichiri

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